question is the advancement of LB 971A. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 mays on the motion to advance 971A..

SENATOR HALL: LB 971A is advanced. Next item, Mr. Clerk. LB 981A, excuse me.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, with regard to LB 981A it was introduced by Senator Beutler. (Read title.)

SENATOR HALL: Senator Beutler, to open on the A bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Hall, members of the Legislature, this bill as you may recall is the bill that was designed to help the NRDs deal with the thousands of abandoned wells out there that haven't been properly plugged and we're not creating any bureaucrats in Lincoln and we're not creating any more personnel out in the NRDs. All we're doing is facilitating the transfer of funds to help landowners plug wells and that is in the amount of \$99,000 which won't come close to doing the job but at least it's a beginning. Thank you.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the opening on the A bill. Any discussion? Seeing none, Senator Beutler waives closing. The question is the advancement of LB 981A to E & R initial. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 mays on the motion to advance LB 981A to E & R initial.

SENATOR HALL: LB 981A is advanced. Next bill, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: LB 988A was introduced by Senator Bernard-Stevens. (Read title.) I do have an amendment from Senator Bernard-Stevens that is found in the Journal on page 1106. (AM3592)

SENATOR HALL: Senator Bernard-Stevens, to open on the amendment.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. Chairperson, members of